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Re Application of:
Loferer et al

Application No.: 09/973,674

Group Art Unit: 1645

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**For: NOVEL METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING
ANTIBACTERIAL COMPOUNDS**

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This amendment is being filed in reply to the outstanding Office Action mailed June 2, 2004, in connection with the above application. Please enter the following amendments:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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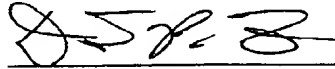
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The Examiner may address any questions raised by this submission to the undersigned at 617-951-7000. Should an extension of time be required, Applicants hereby petition for same and request that the extension fee and any other fee required for timely consideration of this submission be charged to **Deposit Account No. 18-1945**.

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